HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1045

Commending Mary K. Tuohy.

Agreed to by the House of Delegates, February 21, 2017 Agreed to by the Senate, February 23, 2017

WHEREAS, Mary K. Tuohy retired as the director of finance for the Town of Herndon on December 31, 2016, after more than 34 years of public service; and

WHEREAS, Mary Tuohy holds a bachelor's degree in accounting from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, a master's degree in public administration from George Mason University, and a license as a Certified Public Accountant; she began her career in local government with the Town of Blacksburg; and

WHEREAS, on March 14, 1994, Mary Tuohy was appointed by the town manager to serve as the director of finance for the Town of Herndon, where she provided exceptional leadership and service to the members of the Herndon community for 22 years; and

WHEREAS, Mary Tuohy managed the town's finances; helped collect delinquent taxes, fees, and claims for the town; and helped the town achieve and maintain a AAA bond rating and excellent financial reserves, a tribute to her sound financial leadership; and

WHEREAS, committed to financial excellence, Mary Tuohy worked tirelessly to ensure that the town consistently met the Government Finance Officers Association's (GFOA) high standards for accounting and budgeting; and

WHEREAS, Mary Tuohy's diligence and attention to detail nearly guaranteed that the town received the Distinguished Budget Award and the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the town's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report from the GFOA each year she was with the town; and

WHEREAS, Mary Tuohy's commitment to the town and her application of the highest standards were apparent through her active involvement in several professional organizations, including the Virginia Government Finance Officers' Association, where she served as president from 1996 to 1997; the Virginia Local Government Finance Corporation Board of Directors, where she served as vice president in 2016; and her active participation in the GFOA; and

WHEREAS, exhibiting a collaborative attitude, Mary Tuohy was always willing to support the financial needs of every town department by maintaining a positive outlook, seeking solutions rather than barriers, welcoming a challenge, having a strong sense of humor, willingly teaching others what she knew, and demonstrating her passion and enthusiasm for her job and the town every day; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED by the House of Delegates, the Senate concurring, That the General Assembly hereby commend Mary K. Tuohy on the occasion of her retirement as director of finance for the Town of Herndon in 2016; and, be it

RESOLVED FURTHER, That the Clerk of the House of Delegates prepare a copy of this resolution for presentation to Mary K. Tuohy as an expression of the General Assembly's admiration for her loyal and dedicated service to the residents of the Town of Herndon and best wishes on her well-earned retirement.